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The Democrats of Sumter County have not contributed as much as they should towards the Wilson campaign, but this neglect of a plain duty can be remedied since the campaign still has a month to run. A partial canvass has been made in this city and the bulk of the fund thus far raised was secured in this manner: the citizens of Mayesville have made a contribution; Salem Democratic club has done likewise and so has Wedgefield, but there have been but few contributions from other sections of the county. This is not as it should be and we suggest that a collection be taken at every precinct on Tuesday, October 15th on the occasion of the second primary for State offices. If a man is a Democrat and wants the party to win he should be not only willing to contribute, but glad to do his full part to make the campaign a success.

Do We Need New Industries?

"The average Sumter farmer gets up early, at the alarm of a Connecticut clock, buttons his Chicago suspenders to Detroit overalls, puts on a pair of shoes made in Boston, washes in a Pittsburgh tin basin using Cincinnati soap, and dries in a cotton towel made in New Hampshire; sits down to a Grand Rapids table; eats hot biscuits made with Minneapolis flour, soaked on a St. Louis stove; buys Irish potatoes grown in Michigan and canned fruit put up in California, seasoned with Rhode Island spices, clasps on his old wool hat made in Philadelphia, harnesses his Missouri mule, fed on Iowa corn, with New York harness. And plows his farm, covered with a Massachusetts mortgage, with an Indiana plow.

When bed time comes he reads a Bible made in Chicago, says a prayer written in Jerusalem, and crawls under a blanket made in New Jersey, only to be kept awake by a South Carolina dog—which is about the only home product on the place."

SHALL THEY BE PAID.

Question of Overtime Wages for Customs Officials.

Washington, Oct. 7.—Secretary MacVeagh of the Treasury today asked Attorney General Wickersham for an opinion as to whether customs inspectors should be paid extra for the examination at night of the personal baggage of tourists disembarking after the regular customs hours.

For years customs inspectors handled such baggage at night free of charge.

STRIKEBREAKERS FIRED ON.

Crowd in Augusta Stops Street Car. Motorman and Conductor Take to Their Heels.

Augusta, Oct. 7.—Between 8 and 9 o'clock tonight car on the Monte Sano belt of the city lines was signalled to stop on Gwinnett, near Fifteenth. When it came to a standstill the trolley was spat out from the wire and the lights put out. Immediately the motorman and conductor, strikebreakers, jumped from the car and 15 or 20 shots were fired at them as they ran.

Investigation by a special detail of policemen, who were rushed to the scene in automobiles, has not developed injury to anybody, but the car remained on the line a couple of hours.

Something Beyond That.
Education is not merely the taking of ideas out of one's head and pouring them into the heads of children.

Trouble With the Eyes.
Sometimes tiny hairs become loosened and get beneath the eyelids. Before going to bed the trouble of examining the upper and lower lids, fill the wash bowl with cold water and open the eyes under water. Open and shut them several times, and in nearly every instance this will wash out the bothersome hair. It will at least loosen such a hair so that it may be easily removed by the cotton-tipped toothpick.

FORBIDDEN CITY IS ENTERED

Walata, Once the Center of African Civilization, Now Nothing but Heap of Ruins.

Another "Mysterious city of the desert has given up its secrets; Walata has been entered by a white explorer." Until last January Walata—Ouallata, the French spell it—was more mysterious even than fabled Timbuctu, its distant neighbor.

In the tenth century Walata was a great city, the center of civilization, from which the religion of Islam spread throughout western Africa. Up to the twelfth century it was the prosperous capital of the kingdom of Gana, the market to which came all the nations of Africa, with caravan routes across the desert to Tunis, Touat, Tafillet and Fez. Here gathered the wise men and the doctors of the law of Mahomet.

Then, like all Babylons and all Tyres, it began to decline. Timbuctu, a younger city, gradually stole away its trade and usurped its position as an intellectual center. In the fourteenth century it had lost its splendor. Two centuries more and the sultans of Morocco, extending their conquests to the south, occupied it and it became only one of the many conquered towns.

Finally Walata became the home of the bands of robbers who terrorized all the country around. With the possible exception of Laing in 1826, no white man had seen it, and its pirate masters had resolved that none should enter it.

But last winter Colonel Roulet, French commandant at Timbuctu, determined to dispel the mystery. At the head of a camel corps of 200 soldiers, he marched across the desert and occupied the city without firing a shot, eighteen years to the month after the French entry into Timbuctu.

Only a few poor families now live in the ruins of what was once a great city, as the remains of its walls, citadel and massive mosques testify. There are left, even, some decorations of the style made familiar by the Alhambra, that prove that once the arts were studied here as well as in the other Moorish empire north of the straits of Gibraltar.

Travel of Two Casks of Wine.

If wine could talk, there are two casks of it which passed through Houston the other day which would tell an interesting story.

This wine, consigned to a firm in Baltimore, was aboard the El Sud when that boat sank just out of Galveston over two weeks ago. Three days ago the casks were picked up by life savers of the United States life saving station at Point Isabel, near Brownsville.

They were brought to Brownsville and turned over to the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexican railroad. J. A. Brown, general freight agent of the line, ordered the goods shipped on to the firm to whom they were originally consigned. The address of this firm was still visible on the casks and there was no mistaking to whom they should be sent. The wine will be turned over to the Morgan line at Galveston Monday.

There is some doubt existing in the minds of railroad officials as to whom the liquor should be checked. It is the first case on record of goods being given up by the sea to a railroad company, and there is no book in the office for keeping track of this class of freight. The wine was originally sent by the Italian colony of Southern California.—Houston Post.

Boys Copy Desperado's Exploits.

The notoriety given to Bonnot has fired the imagination of an eighteen-year-old boy named Firmin Licardies, living in the French town of Maurs, in the central department of Cantal. This lad, who has been reading the exploits of the band, resolved to imitate Bonnot. He armed himself the other day with a hatchet and a gun, got possession of some cartridges, and then barricaded himself in his room, refusing to leave it. "You will have to dynamite me as they did Bonnot," he cried. Finally the gendarmes were sent for, and as they were surrounding the house the boy fired at them. His next exploit was to escape from an attic window and he fled to a neighboring wood, where, after a long hunt, he was found making cartridges in a thicket. Three young ruffians also attempted to seize a motor delivery van near Nancy by cutting through the pneumatic tires, but they took to flight without the car, alarmed by the cries of the chauffeur.

Imprisoned in Strong Room.

A somewhat amusing incident, involving the enforced imprisonment of two clerks in the strong room of the Bohemian bank of Prague, Austria, occurred recently. The clerks were engaged in detaching coupons from bonds when the manager, in showing the strong room and the mechanism of the armor plated door to the director of a provincial bank, locked the door upon them. A few minutes later the manager tried to open it, but could not. Several locksmiths were called in, and though they worked hard the whole day, they failed to unlock the door. The Berlin firm who constructed the strong room sent some mechanics by express train to Prague, but their endeavors were likewise in vain at first. It was only after thirty hours of toil and search that the spring was discovered, the door opened and the two prisoners released. During their imprisonment they had been supplied with milk supplied through a tube which dipped down to the bottom of the strong room.

WORKING FOR EDUCATION.

PRESBYTERIANS OF STATE WILL RAISE \$200,000.

Campaign in Harmony Presbytery Started at Meeting in Manning — \$25,000 Sum to be Raised by the Presbytery—Canvass Begins at Once.

Some fifty men, pastors, elders and deacons of the Presbyterian churches forming Harmony Presbytery gathered at a banquet in Manning last night for the purpose of launching the canvass in the Presbytery to raise \$25,000 towards the fund of \$200,000 that the Presbyterians in South Carolina are raising for their three educational institutions, viz: The Columbia Theological Seminary, The Presbyterian College of South Carolina, at Clinton, for young men, and Chicora College, at Greenville, for young women.

The gathering last night was the eighth of a similar kind that have been held in the State in the interest of the same enterprise and it was one of the best of the eight. The supper was served by the ladies of the Manning Presbyterian Church in the Masonic hall, and they acquitted themselves with credit, serving a splendid menu in a delightful manner. The supper over addresses were made by President Whaling, of the Seminary, Pres. Byrd, of Chicora College, and President Douglas of the College at Clinton. Mr. Bridgman, the financial secretary, then distributed the subscription cards and report cards and had a few words to say regarding the detail of the canvass.

The closing address was made by Rev. R. T. Gillespie, pastor of the Florence Presbyterian Church, who told, pointedly and interestingly, how his church made a successful canvass in the Pee Dee Presbytery campaign, the first to be held. His church was asked to raise \$3,000. They secured over this amount the first day and then went ahead and raised 60 per cent more. They were able to do this because the elders and deacons were deeply interested in the enterprise, willingly assumed the responsibility for doing their part and then gave their time, at a very busy season of the year, joyfully and unselfishly to canvassing the members of their church. They completed the canvass in just a few days.

Sunday coming special sermons will be preached in nearly all of the churches by visiting ministers in the interest of the canvass. It is expected that Dr. Douglas will preach in Sumter. Dr. Whaling at Concord in the morning and Salem, (Black River), in the afternoon. Dr. Reed, of the seminary, at Wedgefield, in the morning in the afternoon. Dr. Reed, of the E. E. Gillespie of Yorkville at Mt. Zion in the morning and Hebron in the afternoon and Mr. Bridgman at Mayesville in the morning and Lynchburg in the afternoon. Other ministers will speak in the churches in distant parts of the Presbytery. The canvass begins immediately following the sermons and is to be made by the officers of each church.

The pastors and many of the elders left Manning this morning to go to Olanta where Harmony Presbytery meets with Beulah Church tonight.

FOURTH PRIMARY ELECTION.

Will be Held in Marlboro County Tuesday.

Bennettsville, Oct. 7.—Marlboro county has already had this year three primary elections, and a fourth primary for the purpose of nominating a clerk of the court will be held tomorrow; the fifth primary will be that for the office of attorney general.

The county executive committee after recounting the entire ballot of the county and tabulating, declared a tie in the election for clerk of the court and ordered a fourth primary between T. C. Hamer and Julian McLaurin. In the second and third primary Hamer led with a majority of three and two, respectively. Such were the returns of the managers. After deciding several irregularities, the ballots were declared a tie by the executive committee.

Original Amen Corner.

The origin of the name "Amen corner" is interesting and throws a pleasant light on English Catholicity of the days before the apostasy of Henry VIII. Each year on the feast of Corpus Christi the faithful went in procession to St. Paul's cathedral. Mustering in Chesham, the procession moved toward the cathedral, the clergy chanting the "Our Father" as they passed along the street still called Paternoster row, reaching the "Amen" as they turned the corner known for years as Amen corner.—Ave Maria.

Foolish Question.

A kid who attended the circus the other day is said to have asked his father: "Say, if one of them Arabs would fall off his horse and knock his teeth out, would he talk gum arabic?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

NO TROOPS FOR AIKEN.

GOVERNOR REFUSES REQUEST OF SHERIFF RABORN.

Urges Him to Keep Order and at Same Time, Calls Upon Electric Car Company Not to Attempt Operations in South Carolina.

Aiken, Oct. 7.—Following the riot in North Augusta yesterday afternoon, in which it is stated that at least 500 persons participated in an attack upon strike-breakers and guards operating a car to Belvidere from Augusta on the Aiken division, Sheriff Raborn wired Gov. Blease for assistance, evidently intending to suppress, through force of armed men, the mob violence and lawlessness now broken forth on this side of the river and in this county, as a result of the strike among the car men. The wire was sent to Gov. Blease last night, and this morning Sheriff Raborn is in receipt of this:

"Your wire received. I would suggest to superintendent with whom you have been conferring not to attempt to run cars on this side of the river, as they do not carry necessities of life or United States mail, until people quiet down. Reports come to me that sympathizers with strikers are from Georgia side, and as they have violated our statute law, you should proceed to swear out warrants and arrest them if found in this State. Present situation would not justify me in sending militia at heavy expense to State. If cars do not run and strikers begin to injure track or destroy property I will see that it is protected.

"Gov. of South Carolina." Where conditions and information warrant, Sheriff Raborn will pursue to the letter the course suggested by Gov. Blease and arrest all disturbers of the peace unless they slip over the line into Georgia, and even they can doubtless be easily secured through the proper requisition proceedings.

CORN CLUB MEETING.

Boy's Corn Club and Girl's Tomato Club Meetings to be Held at the Court House in Sumter, Saturday, October 19.

Every boy who joined the Corn Club in the Spring and who will gather his corn and make a report, sending same in to Dr. Haynsworth, Superintendent of Education, by the fifteenth of this month, will be given a free trip to the National Corn Show in Columbia next January. With your report, or on Saturday, October 19, bring along with you, ten of the best ears you can select from your corn. Prizes will be awarded in Sumter for the best ten ears best report, and the highest yield. The two boys making the highest average will be given a trip to the National Corn Show and their expenses paid in a School of Instruction, composed of two boys from each county in the State where Corn Club work is being done. Parents don't cheat your sons out of this trip on the account of being too busy to help gather their corn.

All of the boys who expect to contest another year are invited to attend the meeting at the Court House Saturday, October 19, and bring the best ten ears of corn you can select from your father's crib. If as many as ten boys who are not in the contest this year, will bring ten ears each, and join the next year's club, we will have your corn judged and pay you cash prizes, three dollars, for the best ten ears, two dollars for the next best, and one dollar for the third best in this class.

Fellow Teachers, interest your boys in the next year's club and see that they select ten ears of corn and come to Sumter Saturday, October 19, promptly at 12 M.

After the Corn Club meeting, Miss Parrott, State Agent of the Girl's Tomato Clubs, will meet those interested in having the Tomato Club work established here in this county. It will be possible to start this work in only three counties in Eastern Carolina next year. Lee and Darlington have already secured this work, and other counties are wanting it. So you see we have to act or be left out in the cold for another year.

J. H. Haynsworth,
J. Frank Williams.

Dedicated Burial Vault.

In a dilapidated old vault in a churchyard in Philadelphia, containing the bones of some colonial man or maiden, a group of roystering men were found the other night, laughing, talking, smoking and shooting "craps." The vault in which they sat was the oldest in Old Trinity and it is falling into decay. For more than a week residents of the neighborhood had heard uncanny sounds emanating from the churchyard after midnight, and the place was believed to be "haunted."

Explained.

Ella—"As a child I had hard work in learning to tell time." Stella—"Then that is the reason you never seem to be certain how old you are."

NEGROES ADOPT RESOLUTIONS.

They Condemn Lawlessness, Demand Arrest of Alleged Rapists and Offer Their Services to Assist Officers in Apprehending Guilty Parties.

The subjoined resolutions, adopted at a mass meeting of negroes, held in Shiloh Baptist church, this city, have been received, accompanied by a request that they be published. The resolutions are recommended to the consideration of the sheriff, other law officers of Sumter county, the grand jury, now in session, and to all good citizens who believe in the enforcement of law, and the protection of all women. Two white men are charged with an outrageous crime, a warrant has been issued for their arrest and they have not been arrested, notwithstanding it is stated on good authority that they are still in hiding in Shiloh township. These men may be innocent—the presumption is that they are innocent, until pronounced guilty by a jury—but if the law is to be vindicated they must be arrested and brought to trial. It is worse than folly, it is a crime, for the law-abiding citizens of Sumter County to stand idly by and see the law defied by men charged with the most abominable crime on the statute books.

The negroes who attended the mass meeting in Shiloh Baptist church ask the enforcement of the law and they were within their rights in so doing. There would have been no mass meeting of negroes in Shiloh Baptist Church and no resolutions adopted had the accused men been arrested within a reasonable time, and those who will feel inclined to condemn the negroes for adopting resolutions should consider the justification they have in the circumstances:

Sumter, S. C., Oct. 7, 1912.

The colored citizens of Sumter in mass meeting assembled at the Shiloh Baptist Church, of which Dr. J. A. Pinson is pastor, adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, two Rural Policemen, officers of the law, white men, did, upon pretense of taking two negro girls before a magistrate in Shiloh township, Sumter County, to bind them over as witnesses in a case, and whereas, it is reported that instead, they were carried, by said policemen in the woods and brutally assaulted and raped.

Be It Resolved, That we in mass meeting assembled, do condemn said act as being the most brutal and outrageous attack ever made upon a woman by man or set of men; for these men were paid to uphold the law.

Resolved 2nd. That as said men are still at large and should be brought to a speedy account, that we, the colored citizens assembled, do hereby offer our services to those in authority to assist in apprehending said guilty parties, both in time and money.

Resolved 3rd. That we hereby call upon the Governor of the State and the county authorities to offer a reward for the capture and conviction of said men. For if this is allowed, to go unpunished, it will breed lawlessness and disorder, and negroes in the future will not submit to arrest for fear of being mobbed or raped.

Disrespect for Law.

The story from Sumter of the lawless act that is charged against two rural policemen is an evidence of a most shocking condition of affairs if it be true. Such stories are not infrequent and they mark a condition of the country that is truly alarming. When the executive officers of a people themselves lead in disrespect of the law, what is there for people to look forward to? We are accustomed to think that our homes and lives are safe because we have the protection of the courts and the executive officers of the State government, but when that reliance fails us what is the difference between living in a country like this and living in a heathen land? No man is fit to be an officer of the law in any capacity who does not show in his own life and habits a respect for that law, and those who would put a man in a place of power who does not respect the law are sowing a wind that will be reaped as a whirlwind, but the public is hard to arouse to the responsibility of the individual for the sins of the community, and each man expects to escape the harvest while his neighbor reaps the seed of the whirlwind that he has sowed. Some man is a good fellow, and therefore he must be given a place where the public treasury will maintain him. If space allowed dozens of such stories might be printed from Georgia, now that the people of that State are interested in the matter of the repeal of the clause in the constitution of that State providing for magistrates of less rank than county judge in big cities where, in Georgia, the political corruption seems just now to be centered, at least this political corruption of appointing to public office men who have no respect for anything except the wishes of the political boss who stands behind them in a job.—Florence Times.

AMERICANS LOST FOUR.

HARD FIGHT WITH NICARAGUAN REBELS.

People of Leon and Chinandega in Pitiful Condition for Weeks Before Relief of Towns.

San Juan Del Sur, Nic., Oct. 7.—The American forces lost two marines and two bluejackets killed in the attack of Leon and Chinandega, which were occupied by the rebels. Fifty rebels were killed and many wounded.

The others have been disarmed. Chinandega is the capital of the department of the same name, lying 24 miles southeast of Leon. Both towns have been in the hands of the insurgents for weeks and the residents of both places have suffered much distress.

According to the advices received here, a large detachment of marines and bluejackets under Lieutenant Col. Long proceeded from Corinto to three points on the National railroad, Chinandega in the northwest, Leon to the southeast and Chichiquila, almost midway between. Chichiquila was the scene of an engagement Friday, while the rebels were forced to evacuate the two other towns the following day. Details of the fighting have not been learned.

FAMILY IS KILLED.

Automobile Is Struck by Interurban Car in Texas.

Dallas, Texas, Oct. 6.—F. B. Cornelius of Palmer, Texas, his wife and two daughters and his sister and her child were killed tonight when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by an interurban car near the town of Arlington, 25 miles from Dallas. The interurban, traveling at a rapid speed, struck the automobile squarely in the center, throwing its six occupants directly in front of the car. The bodies of those killed were mangled beyond recognition. Cornelius was identified by a card found in his pocket.

LADIES—More new velvet shapes in. It will pay you to look at them and other shapes, trimmings, trimmed hats and pattern hats before buying. Come one and all. Yours to please, Mrs. W. G. Browne, No. 7 E. Liberty Street, up stairs.

FOR SALE—One or two milk cows with young calves, kind and gentle. Will be glad to show them to prospective buyers. Also Berkshire and graded pigs, lambs and kids. Apply to E. W. Dabbs, Pineland Farm, Mayesville, S.C.

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